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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LACKWANNA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

CIVIL ACTION-LAW

Nicholas Linko 757 Lake Spangenber Road

Lake Ariel, PA 18436

Plaintiff

Vs.

Capital One Financial Corporation 1680 Capital One Dr. McLean, VA 22102

2011- CV 3072

and

Capital One Bank (USA) 6124 188th St

Fresh Meadows, NY 11365-2713

Jury Trial Demanded

Defendants

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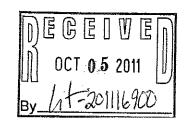
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COMPLAINT

- 1. This is an action brought by a consumer for Defendant(s) alleged violations of the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), 15 USC 1681 et. Seq.
- 2. Plaintiff is Nicholas Linko, an adult individual whose principle residence is located at 757 Lake Spangenber Road, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.
- 3. Defendant(s) are the following.
 - Capital One Financial Corporation, 1680 Capital One Drive, McLean, VA 22102.
 - Capital One Bank (USA), 6124 188th Street, Fresh Meadows, NY 11365-2713.
 - c. X,Y,Z Corporations, business identities whose identities are not known to Plaintiff at this time, but which will become known upon proper discovery. It is believed and averred that such entities played a substantial role in the commission of the acts described in this complaint.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. The previous paragraphs of this complaint are incorporated by reference and All previous paragraphs of this complaint are incorporated by reference and made a part of this complaint
- 5. Defendant(s) regularly transact(s) business throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and in this jurisdiction.
- 6. Defendant obtains the benefit(s) of regularly transacting business in this jurisdiction.
- 7. A substantial portion of the conduct complained of occurred in this jurisdiction.

COUNT ONE: VIOLATION OF THE FAIR CREDIT REPORTING ACT, 15 USC 1681 s-2 et seq.; Specifically 15 USC 1681 s-2 (b) et. seq.

- 8. The previous paragraphs of this complaint are incorporated by reference and made a part hereof.
- 9. Plaintiff is a "consumer," as codified at 15 U.S.C. § 1681a(c).
- 10. Defendant is an entity who, regularly and in the course of business, furnishes information to one or more credit reporting agencies about Defendants(s) transactions or experiences with any consumer and Defendant is a "furnisher," as codified at 15 U.S.C. § 1681s-2.
- Defendant furnished certain derogatory information about Plaintiff's consumer account to one or more of the relevant credit reporting agencies as defined by FCRA.
- 12. Plaintiff disputed the alleged account(s) in writing with Defendant(s) in writing for a number of meritorious reasons. Plaintiff's dispute called into question issues including but not limited to the following.
 - a. The amount of the alleged high balance for the account.
 - b. Interest.
 - c. Finance charges
 - d. Other fees
 - e. The existence or non-existence of a contract which justified the alleged high balance, interest, finance charges and other fees.
- 13. Plaintiff's disputes with Defendant were in writing. See attached exhibits.

- Plaintiff did not dispute the existence of the account, nor did Plaintiff dispute that Plaintiff was the person to whom such account belonged. But rather, Plaintiff disputed the amount of the balance, interest, finance charges and other fees. See attached exhibits.
- 15. Plaintiff's disputes with Defendant were bona fide legitimate disputes.
- Defendant(s) received Plaintiff's disputes concerning the alleged account(s). See attached exhibits.
- 17. Defendant(s) chose to disregard Plaintiff's disputes, and allowed the information pertaining to the disputed account to remain virtually the same on Plaintiff's credit report.
- Plaintiff then disputed the alleged account(s) in writing with relevant credit bureaus.

 See attached exhibits.
- 19. One or more of the relevant credit reporting agency(ies) then conducted an investigation where Defendant was contacted. See attached exhibits.
- 20. Defendant verified the alleged account(s) with one or more of the credit reporting agency(ies). See attached exhibits.

- At the time that Defendant(s) verified the alleged account(s) with the credit reporting agency(ies), Defendant failed to state that the account(s) had been previously disputed by Plaintiff. See attached exhibits.
- 22. The Pursuant to 15 USC 1861 s-2, Defendant(s) had a duty to notify the relevant credit reporting agency(ies) of Plaintiff's prior dispute of the account(s).
- 23. The Pursuant to 15 USC 1861 s-2, at the time that Defendant(s) verified the information to the credit reporting agency(ies), Defendant(s) had a duty to report to the credit reporting agency(ies) that the account(s) in question had been previously disputed by Plaintiff.
- At the time that Defendant(s) verified the information to the credit reporting agency(ies), Defendant failed to inform the relevant credit reporting agency(ies) that the account had been disputed by Plaintiff.
- 25. Defendant failed to fulfill it's duties prescribed by 15 USC 1681 s-2 to inform the credit reporting agency(ies) that Plaintiff had previously disputed the account(s). See attached exhibits.
- 26. Defendant(s) deprived Plaintiff of Plaintiff's right to have the disputed status of the account(s) included on Plaintiff's credit report.

- Defendant(s) failure to notify the relevant credit reporting agency(ies) of Plaintiff's legitimate, bona fide and meritorious disputes was misleading in such a way that such failure can be expected to influence any potential creditor or employer who would happen to review Plaintiff's credit report. See Saunders v. Branch Banking and Trust Company of Virginia, 526 F 3d 142, 151 (4th Cir. 2008).
- 28. Defendant(s) failure to notify the relevant credit reporting agency(ies) of Plaintiff's disputes fosters a presumption of validity to potential creditors or employers.
- 29. The inclusion of the fact that the account(s) had previously been disputed by Plaintiff would likely help to negate such a presumption.
- Any potential creditor or may well be curious as to why Plaintiff did not pay on the account. A potential creditor or employer may be influenced to learn that the non-paid account was in dispute, thereby possibly warranting Plaintiff's non-payment of the account.
- Defendant(s) failure to notify the relevant credit reporting agency(ies) of Plaintiff's Legitimate, meritorious and bona fide dispute(s) is misleading in such a way that such failure can be expected to have an adverse affect. See Saunders v. Branch Banking and Trust Company of Virginia, 526 F 3d 142, 151 (4th Cir. 2008).

- 32. Upon information and belief, it is averred that Defendant has a standard practice policy which contradicts it's duties pursuant to 15 USC 1681 s-2.
- 33. It is believed and averred that Defendant's failure to comply with 15 USC 1681 s-2 was intentional.
- In the alternative, it is believed and averred that Defendant's failure to comply with 15 USC 1681 s-2 was based on reckless indifference to the possibility that Plaintiff may well have been correct in disputing certain aspects of the account information contained on his credit report.
- In the alternative, it is believed and averred that Defendant's failure to comply with 15 USC 1681 s-2 was based on negligent indifference to the possibility that Plaintiff may well have been correct in disputing certain aspects of the account information contained on his credit report.
- In the alternative, it is believed and averred that Defendant's failure to comply with 15 USC 1681 s-2 was based on reckless indifference to Defendant(s) duties under 15 USC 1681 s-2.

37. In the alternative, it is believed and averred that Defendant's failure to comply with 15 USC 1681 s-2 was based on negligent indifference to Defendant(s) duties under 15 USC 1681 s-2.

PRIVATE CAUSE OF ACTION

- 38. The previous paragraphs of this complaint are incorporated by reference.
- 39. Plaintiff brings this action under 15 USC 1681 s-2(b), as distinguished from 15 USC 1681s-2(a).
- There is no private cause of action under 15 USC 1681s-2(a). Only the government can bring a cause of action under 15 USC 11681 s-2(a). For example, the Attorney General could bring a claim on behalf of consumers under 15 USC 1681s-2(a).
- But there is a private cause of action under 15 USC 1681s-2(b). See the following case law which distinguishes between the government right of action under 15 USC 1681s-2(a), and the private cause of action under 15 USC 1681s-2(b).

Marshall v. Swift River Academy, LLC, 2009 WL 1112768 (9th Cir. 2009).

A consumer has no private right of action under FCRA against furnisher merely because the furnisher failed to provide accurate information to consumer reporting agencies.

Beisel v. ABN Ambro Mortgage, Inc., No. 07-2219, 2007 WL2332494, *1 (E.D. Pa. Aug. 10, 2007). In order to prevail on a FCRA claim Plaintiff "must prove [he] notified a credit reporting agency of the dispute, the credit reporting agency then notified the furnisher of information, and the furnisher of information failed to investigate or rectify the disputed charge.").

Catanzaro v. Experian Information Solutions, Inc., 671 F. Supp.2d 256, 260 (D. Mass. 2009).

Notification by a consumer reporting agency to the furnisher is a prerequisite for furnisher liability under FCRA.

Kaetz v. Chase Manhattan Bank, 2007 WL 1343700, *3 (M.D. Pa. 2006). The Court dismissed Plaintiff's Complaint, but only because Plaintiff failed to allege that he disputed the accuracy of the debt to a credit agency, or that the credit agency thereafter reported dispute to defendant.

42. Because Plaintiff first disputed the account(s) with Defendant(s), and then disputed the account with the credit reporting agency afterwards, and then Defendant verified the derogatory information to the Credit Reporting Agency without stating that the account was in a "disputed" status, Plaintiff does have a private cause of action against Defendant under these particular circumstances.

LIABILITY

- 43. The previous paragraphs of this complaint are incorporated by reference and made a part hereof.
- 44. At all times various employees and / or agents of Defendant were acting as agents of Defendant, and therefore Defendant is liable to for the acts committed by its agents and / or employees under the doctrine of respondent superior.
- At all times various employees and / or agents of Defendant were acting as agents of Defendant, and therefore Defendant is liable to Plaintiff for the acts committed by its agents and / or employees under the theory of joint and several liability because Defendant and its agents were engaged in a common business venture and were acting jointly and in concert.

DAMAGES

- 46. The preceding paragraphs are incorporated by reference and made a part hereof.
- 47. Plaintiff's actual damages are \$1.00 more or less, including but not limited to postage, phone calls, fax, gas, mileage, etc.
- 48. Plaintiff believes and avers that Plaintiff is entitled to \$1,000.00 statutory damages under 15 USC 1681 et. seq.
- 49. Plaintiff suffered emotional distress, anger and frustration as a result fo Defendant(s) unlawful conduct, with a Dollar value to be proven at trial.

ATTORNEY FEES

- 50. The previous paragraphs of this complaint are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Complaint.
- Plaintiff believes and avers that Plaintiff is entitled to reasonable attorney fees of \$2,450.00 at a rate of \$350.00 per hour, described below.
 - a. Consultation with client, meetings, review of file.Drafting of disputes 4 hour
 - b. Drafting, editing, review, filing of compliant and related documents
 - c. Follow up correspondence with Defense 2

Total = 7 \$2,450

52. Plaintiff's attorney fees continue to accrue as the case moves forward.

OTHER RELIEF

- 53. The previous paragraphs of this Complaint are incorporated by reference.
- Plaintiff requests an order from this honorable court directing Defendant to report Plaintiff's account(s)(s) referred to in the attached exhibits as "disputed," in accordance with 15 USC 1681 s-2, or not to report the account(s) at all.

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- 55. The previous paragraphs of this Complaint are incorporated by reference.
- 56. Plaintiff requests and demands a jury trial in this matter.
- 57. Plaintiff requests such other relief as this court may deem just and proper.

Wherefore, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendant(s) in the amount of \$3,451 enumerated as follows.

\$1.00 actual damages

\$1,000.00 statutory damages,

\$2,450 attorney fees

\$3,451

Wherefore, Plaintiff seeks declarative relief and in injunction requiring Defendant to comply with 15 USC 1681 s-2. Plaintiff seeks such other relief as this Court deems fair and just.

Vicki Piontek, Esquire Attorney for Plaintiff

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951 Allentown Road Lansdale, PA 19446 877-737-8617

Fax: 866-408-6735 palaw@justice.com

Date

EXHIBITS

Nick Linko 757 Lake Spangenberg Road Jefferson Township, PA 18436 570-698-9914

Capital One Bank P.O. Box 30281 Salt Lake City, UT 84130

Re:

DISPUTE AND REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION

Nick Linko

SSN:

Partial Account Number 5178 0523 3599....

\$1,809

Partial Account Number 5178 0526 5264....

\$1,005

To Whom it May Concern:

Your company has placed derogatory information on my credit report for the above referenced account. The balance that your company claims against me is comprised largely of interest, finance charges, penalties or other fees not justified by any existing contract.

The amount stated on my credit report is excessive and inflated. I request proof of the contract justifying such charges. I also would like proof of the balance and a breakdown of all charges. I have requested the contract proving the alleged debt, but your company has failed to produce it.

I have never been provided a copy of the contract which proves the interest rate, finance charges, late fees and other penalties. I dispute such amounts and believe that the actual balance, if any, is much lower than the amount stated on my credit report.

Please investigate this matter and provide the contract.

Sincerely,

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P.O. Box 30281 Salt Lake City, UT 84130-0281

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January 18, 2011

Nick Linko 757 Lake Spangenberg Road Jefferson Township, PA 18436

> Re: xxxxxxxxxxx3905 Case #: 10001631310439

Dear Nick Linko,

Thanks for contacting us about your credit bureau report. We've verified that the information on your credit report matches the information in our records.

The above referenced account is reporting correctly as charged off with an R9 rating.

We provide information on the status of your account to the credit reporting agencies every month.

If you still believe we've supplied incorrect information to the credit reporting agencies, please send us a copy of any documentation that supports this, such as your credit report. Please mail the information by 02/17/2011 to:

Capital One P.O. Box 30281 Salt Lake City, UT 84130-0281

Please understand that we can't take further action until we receive this information. Once we receive it, we'll work with the credit reporting agencies to verify the information, and let you know the outcome within 30 days.

If you have questions, please call us at 1-800-955-7070. Our Customer Service Representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Sincerely,

Capital One Services, LLC

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CREDIT FILE: August 30, 2011

Confirmation # 1231026596

22 23 Nicholas Linko:

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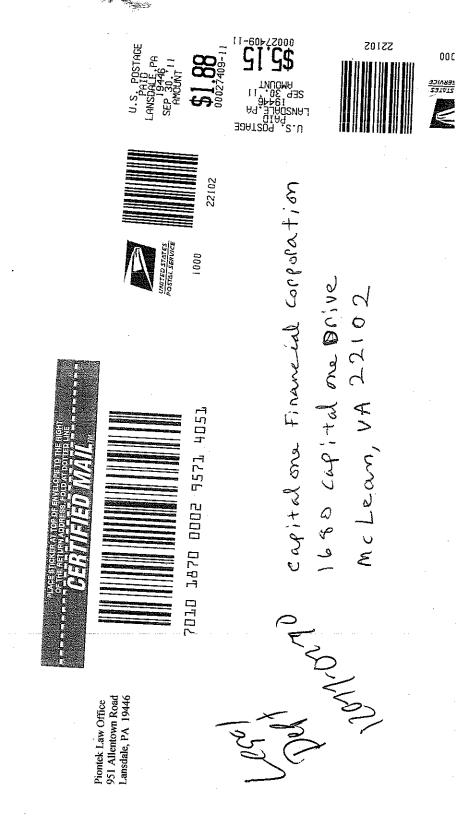
Defendants

Verification

I, Nicholas Linko, verify that the statements contained in the complaint against the Defendant(s) are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, understanding and belief.

Nicholas Linko

Date



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